

# What is Science and the Bible?

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Science in the bible is more prolific and more accurate by orders of magnitude (“orders of magnitude” is a technical term for many, many, many times) than anyone has ever published.

In fact, most of the stuff that is passed around by Christians as seeming proof that the bible is scientifically correct is either made up by well meaning Christians trying to make their God look good, or misinterpreting the bible to make it look like some profound scientific statement when the simple truth is, that is just one of many possible interpretations.

For example, that verse about the circle of the earth used to “prove” the bible knew the earth was a sphere, when everyone believed the earth was flat. First, it is a myth that everyone thought the earth was flat. Even the ancient Greeks knew the earth was a sphere, and even had a pretty good estimate of the diameter of the earth. Second, that verse, in reality could easily have meant everything one sees when he turns in a circle.

Almost everyone that knows me is aware that for the past several years I have been working on writing about science and the bible.

In fact, we have been having nearly weekly meetings in our house where a group of people would discuss science and the bible.

At first, we accumulated all the stories we could find about science proving the bible was correct. Each one we tried to trace back to its source. You know the stuff I mean, the stories about some NASA scientist not being able to reconcile ancient time and reality until he made a correction for the stories in the bible about the sun standing still or going backward. Well, almost without exception, we traced each one back to some overzealous but, well-meaning fraudulent source. The one we had the most trouble with was the one about the blood clotting best on the eight day after birth. At best, the medical doctor associated with the origin of that highly technical information, was considered a kook by many of his peers and his work was refused by credible journals. That does not mean his work was not valid, just ignored by credible sources. No scientist who valued his reputation would touch it with a ten-foot pole. That did not advance the cause of science making the bible look good.

Anyway, as time went on, it became more and more difficult to ignore the long-standing controversy about the differences between what modern science believed about the origins and what Christians teach that the bible has to say on the subject.

For quite a few years now, the Christian world has been divided into three camps on that subject. Some were known as Young Earth Creationists. They teach that nothing existed before some six-thousand years ago (or some comparably short time ago.) These have been criticized for re-interpreting science to match the bible. Others, known as Old Earth Creationists, have been criticized for reinterpreting the bible to agree with science. Still

others, known as Evolutionary Creationists, seemingly took the easy out and used compromise to ignore the whole problem.

In any event, it has seemed to be universally accepted that there is a disconnect between science and the bible.

But that is in for a change.

No one bothered to check and see what the bible really said.

There are in fact, about three dozen different accounts of creation in the bible. All but the one up front in the bible have been methodically ignored.

That realization began an effort that has resulted in the book, *Eyewitness to the Origins*.

For the past several years a major effort was put into extracting details from those many accounts, and interleaving them according to chronological clues contained in those accounts. Then that time line was compared to the simple truth as recently discovered by modern science.

This effort required about fifteen hundred hours of scientific research. That is equivalent to seven and a half years full time employment in scientific research by An Old Scientist. (That is what I call myself.)

The result has been amazing. When you combine all the creation accounts of the bible, you get a time line that stretches all the way from Eternity Past, to Eternity Future. But, even more amazing, that time line is verified by the recent independent discoveries of fact by modern science. The bible does not assign a number of years. Modern science has. But the exact sequence of events recently discovered by modern science is undeniably exactly the same as the sequence of events recorded thousands of years earlier in the combined accounts of the bible. This scientific verification of the bible is a recent development. In fact, some of the facts recorded in the bible have been, or continue to be discovered by modern science since the beginning of the writing of the book, *Eyewitness to the Origins*.